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that give funds to associations. What is the basis of that and is that legal?

SENATOR MARVEL: I assume you are talking about the same areas that we discussed a year ago?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Yes.

SENATOR MARVEL: And we are talking about Section 7 on Page 10 and we are talking about a group of agricultural activities that are authorized by state statutes on the one hand, the Nebraska State Horticulture Society, Crop Improvement Association, Dairymen's Association, Livestock Breeders and Feeders, Home Economics Association, the Nebraska Poultry Improvement Association. These organizations are authorized by state statutes. They are, however, considered non-governmental organizations which assist government itself. That's the background of them. As I think I indicated a year ago, the history of some of these goes back practically a hundred years. Now I assume that there might be some question in the fact that they are non-governmental organizations but they are set up by state statutes.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: And the services that they provide are available to everybody in the state and not just to the membership.

SENATOR MARVEL: They are available but I would not want to tell you that everybody in the state takes advantage of any particular activity. They are open though, yes. Yes, sir. I want to say to Senator Frank Lewis that I am available to stand up here and attempt to answer questions on these bills to the extent that he or anybody else desires, and if we don't have the informations, we can seek the information. There are months of energy and activity that have gone into the development of these bills. I would suggest to you that probably the most controversial bills will be the new capital construction and the higher education bills. I renew my motion to advance 603 to E & R Initial.

SENATOR MARESH: Mr. President, I have a question of Senator Marvel before we act on this bill.

PRESIDENT: He has closed. (Microphone off)

SENATOR MARESH: I had my light on before he closed though.

PRESIDENT: (Microphone off)

SENATOR MARESH: My understanding was that there was one million dollars in the Natural Resources Fund of Nebraska and it was put back into the bill, but in the bill, itself, on Page 11, it shows that it lapsed back into the General Fund.

PRESIDENT: (Microphone not activated).

SENATOR MARVEL: The money was put back and you'll find it on the top of Page 12 of LB 603. It was reinstated.